



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL  
INSPECTIONS**

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**Wednesday, February 24, 2016**

**10:00 AM**

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (16-1124)

**Attachments:** [AUDIO](#)

Present: Chairperson Barbara Bigby, Vice Chairperson Cheryl Grills Ph.D., Commissioner Donald S. Andrews, Commissioner Johanna Arias-Bhatia, Commissioner Susan Burton, Commissioner Percy Duran III, Commissioner Anne S. Hill, Commissioner Eleanor R. Montañó and Commissioner Theresa Zhen

Call to Order. (16-1040)

**Chairperson Bigby called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.**

**Chairperson Bigby led in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.**

Staff present: Roy Sinclair and Jenny Kimbell. (16-1125)

**I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER**

1. Approval of the February 17, 2016 Minutes. (16-1041)

**On motion of Commissioner Percy Duran, seconded by Commissioner Donald S. Andrews and unanimously carried, this item was approved.**

**Attachments:** [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

**II. REPORTS**

2. Chairperson's Report on various items. (16-1042)

**Chairperson Bigby reported that the Facilities Inspection Scheduling Tool has been updated and reminded the Commissioners to utilize this tool for reference.**

3. Staff Report on Correspondence Received and Department Representative Reports. (16-1043)

**There was no report presented.**

4. Commissioners' Reports on Group Home and/or Detention Facilities Inspections from February 18, 2016 to February 23, 2016. (16-1044)

**During the reporting period, the following group homes/facilities were reported as being in satisfactory condition:**

**Chairperson Bigby visited:**

- Rosemary Children's Services - HR (Kinneloa Ave., Pasadena, CA) on February 18, 2016.

**Commissioner Duran visited:**

- Eggleston Youth Center (Westridge Ave., Covina, CA) on February 22, 2016.

**Commissioners Andrews and Montaña visited:**

- Men's Central Jail (Bachet Street, Los Angeles, CA) on February 17, 2016.
- Camp Gonzales (Las Virgenes Rd., Calabasas, CA) on February 22, 2016.

**During the reporting period, the following group facility was reported as being in unsatisfactory condition:**

**Chairperson Bigby and commissioners Bhatia, Zhen and Duran visited:**

- Century Regional Detention Facility (Alameda St, Lynwood, CA) on February 18, 2016 and reported the following:
  - Low staffing of mental health clinicians
  - Misdiagnosis of women
  - No books or writing utensils in pod 3 of 2300

**No one home:**

**Chairperson Bigby visited:**

- Human Services Network (Index St., Granada Hills, CA) on February 19, 2016.

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**Commissioners Andrews and Montañó visited:**

- **Boy's and Girl's Republic (Redcliff St., Los Angeles, CA) on February 23, 2016.**

5. Report from Sybil Brand Commission's Ad-Hoc Committees. (16-1045)

**Vice Chairperson Grills recommended that the Los Angeles County's emergency shelters for the Group Homes subcommittee be tabled until further notice.**

**Commissioner Bhatia informed the Commission that the Bylaws have been completely updated and copies will be distributed at the next meeting for review.**

**Commissioner Zhen presented a draft of the 2015 SBC annual report. They are still in the process of obtaining more information for completion. Commissioner Zhen encouraged the Commissioners to submit any additional information that should be added to the annual report.**

**III. DISCUSSIONS**

6. Discussion on tracking Federal and State legislation that impacts the Special Handling Unit (SHU). (16-0958)

**Commissioner Bhatia expressed with the Commission that current State and Federal legislation will soon impact the work of the SBC. She is recommending that the Commission track legislation on a State and Federal level. Commissioner Duran volunteered to also work with Commissioner Bhatia on this project. Commissioner Zhen recommended that Commission bring legislative updates to the meeting so that all Commissioners are aware of legislative matters**

7. Discussion and approval to invite Board Deputies to future SBC meetings. (16-1046)

**After discussion, on motion of Commissioner Duran, seconded by Commissioner Andrews and unanimously carried, the Commission agreed to formally invite the Board Deputies to a future SBC meeting.**

8. Discussion and preparation for the Inmate Welfare Commission's attendance at the March 2, 2016. (16-1047)

**Chairperson Bigby reminded that guests from the Inmate Services Bureau will be attending the meeting on March 2, 2016 and to come prepared with questions and remarks.**

9. Discussion and preparation on attending the February 26, 2016 Inmate Welfare Commission town hall meeting. (16-1048)

**Commissioner Zhen will be attending the February 26, 2016 Inmate Welfare Commission town hall meeting. After discussion, Commissioner Bhatia will provide the contact information and logistics of the meeting to Commissioner Zhen.**

#### **IV. MISCELLANEOUS**

##### **Matters Not Posted**

10. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (16-1049)

**There were no matters presented for a future agenda.**

##### **Public Comment**

11. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (16-1050)

**There were no members of the public present to address the Commission.**

##### **Adjournment**

12. Adjournment for the meeting of February 24, 2016. (16-1051)

**There being no further business, Chairperson Bigby adjourned the meeting of February 24, 2016 at 12:14 p.m.**